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SUBJECT: FONMIN SHARP VISIT TO TOKYO

SUMMARY: BOTH SIDES CONSIDERED FONMIN SHARP'S MEETING WITH FONMIN OHIRA TO HAVE BEEN USEFUL AND GONE WELL. CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION DEVOTED TO KISSINGER DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. END SUMMARY.

1. ACCORDING TO OUR JAPANESE AND CANADIAN SOURCES, FONMIN MITCHELL SHARP'S BRIEF VISIT TO TOKYO SUCCEEDED IN BRIDGING GAP IN GOJ-GOC DIALOGUE CREATED BY POSTPONEMENT OF MINISTERIAL TALKS. DURING FOUR AND ONE HALF HOUR LUNCH CUM MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 10, SHARP AND OHIRA COVERED VARIETY OF CURRENT ISSUES INCLUDING BI-LATERAL TRADE, ASIAN AFFAIRS, AND KISSINGER DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. THEY WERE ASSISTED BY VICE MINISTER RICHEY, AMBASSADOR CAMPBELL, AND ASIA-PACIFIC AFFAIRS
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DIRGEN ANDREW ON CANADIAN SIDE; DEP VICE MINS TOGO AND

TSURUMI, AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRGEN OKAWARA, UN AFFAIRS
DIRGEN SUZUKU, AND AMBASSADOR TO CANADA NISHIYAMA.

2. ON DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES, BOTH SIDES EXPRESSED
VERY SIMILAR VIEWS, I.E., DEEP INTEREST IN PROPOSAL
SOMEWHAT QUALIFIED BY FEELING OF BEING PERIPHERAL TO
BASICALLY US-EUROPEAN DELIBERATION. AS VICE MIN HOGEN
SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD AMBASSADOR INGERSOLL, CANADIANS (AND
JAPANESE) ABOVE ALL DO NOT WANT TO BE LEFT OUT OF DIS-
CUSSION BUT ARE UNCERTAIN ABOUT SOME OF SECURITY IM-
PLICATIONS. SHARP ALSO EXPRESSED STRONG CONCERN ABOUT
SECURITY OF EUROPE AND DISSATISFACTION WITH FRENCH
ATTITUDE. BOTH CANADIANS AND JAPANESE AGREED, HOWEVER,
THAT FRENCH DECISION FOR FONMIN JOBERT TO ATTEND
COPENHAGEN MEETING AND THEN CATCH UP WITH POMPIDOU IN
PEKING MIGHT BE HOPEFUL SIGN THAT FRENCH ARE HAVING SECOND
THOUGHTS ABOUT SECURITY PROBLEM.

3. CANADIAN SOURCES TELL US THAT REVIEW OF ASIAN ISSUES
REVEALED CLOSE SIMILARITY OF VIEWS (AND NOTHING NEW)
ON INDONESIA AND CHINA. JAPANESE STATED THEY EXPECT
TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NORTH VIETNAM
BY END OF SEPTEMBER, WHILE HOLDING FIRM AGAINST ANY
GESTURE TOWARD PRG. THEY ALSO TOLD CANADIANS THAT PRIMIN
TANAKA WILL NOT GIVE GROUND ON NORTHERN TERRITORIES ISSUE
WHEN HE VISITS MOSCOW.

4. BRIEF REVIEW OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC ISSUES RESULTED
IN AGREEMENT TO STUDY FUTURE SUPPLY OF RESOURCES,
INCLUDING PETROLEUM, IN GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT SUB-
COMMITTEE. CANADIAN SIDE ALSO ENCOURAGED JAPANESE TO
IMPORT MORE FOODSTUFFS.

5. ATMOSPHERICS OF MEETING WERE EXCELLENT, WITH JAPANESE
PLEASED BY CANADIAN PROMISE THAT MINISTERIAL MEETING
WAS POSTPONED AND NOT CANCELLED. (ON OTHER HAND, CANADIAN
EMBASSY MINISTER TOLD US THAT SCHEDULING PROBLEMS MAKE
IT MOST UNLIKELY MEETING CAN BE HELD BEFORE WELL INTO
NEXT YEAR.) EXTAFF OFFICIAL TRAVELING WITH PARTY SUMMED
UP SATISFACTION OF BOTH SIDES WITH MODEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS
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